

# Common birds of Ibadan University campus and surrounding forest, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria



**Red-headed Malimbe**  
*Malimbus rubricollis*



**African Pied Hornbill**  
*Tockus fasciatus*



**Olive-green Camaroptera**  
*Camaroptera chloronata*



**Common Bulbul**  
*Pycnonotus barbatus*



**Velvet-mantled Drongo**  
*Dicrurus modestus*



**African Pied Wagtail**  
*Motacilla aguimp*



**Little Swift**  
*Apus affinis*



**Red-rumped Tinkerbird**  
*Pogoniulus atroflavus*



**Buff-throated Sunbird**  
*Chalcomitra adelberti*



**Senegal Coucal**  
*Centropus senegalus*



**Grey-headed Negrofinch**  
*Nigrita canicapillus*



**Plain-backed Pipit**  
*Anthus leucophrys*



**Village Weaver**  
*Ploceus cucullatus*



**African Green Pigeon**  
*Treron calvus*



**White-bellied Kingfisher**  
*Alcedo leugogaster*



**Black-and-white Mannikin**  
*Spermetes bicolor*



# BIRD ADAPTATIONS: BEAKS

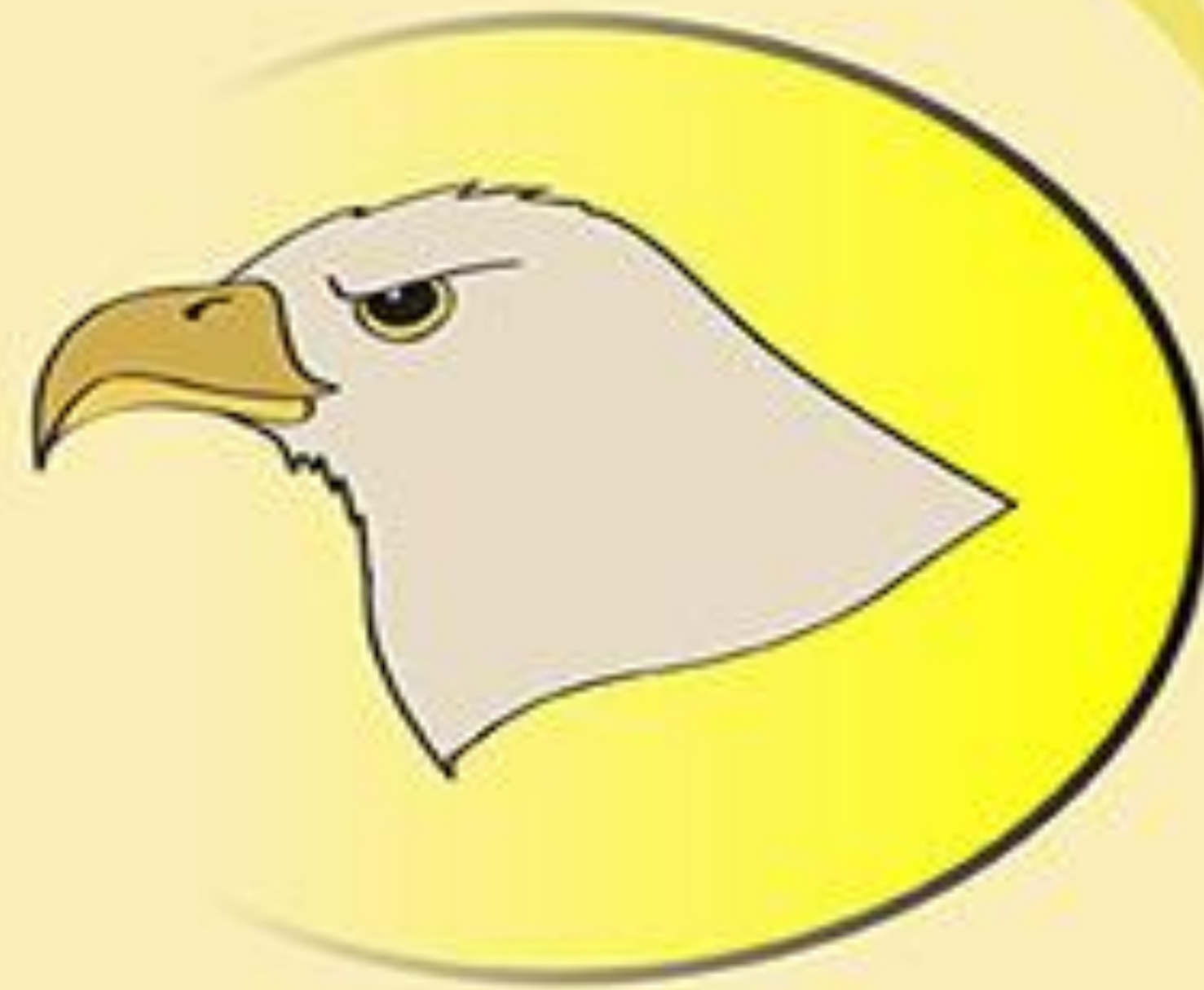


## Seed Cracker

Short cone-shaped beaks that exert greatest force near their base

## Meat Eater's Beak

A hooked beak that enables meat-eating birds to pull apart animals too big to swallow

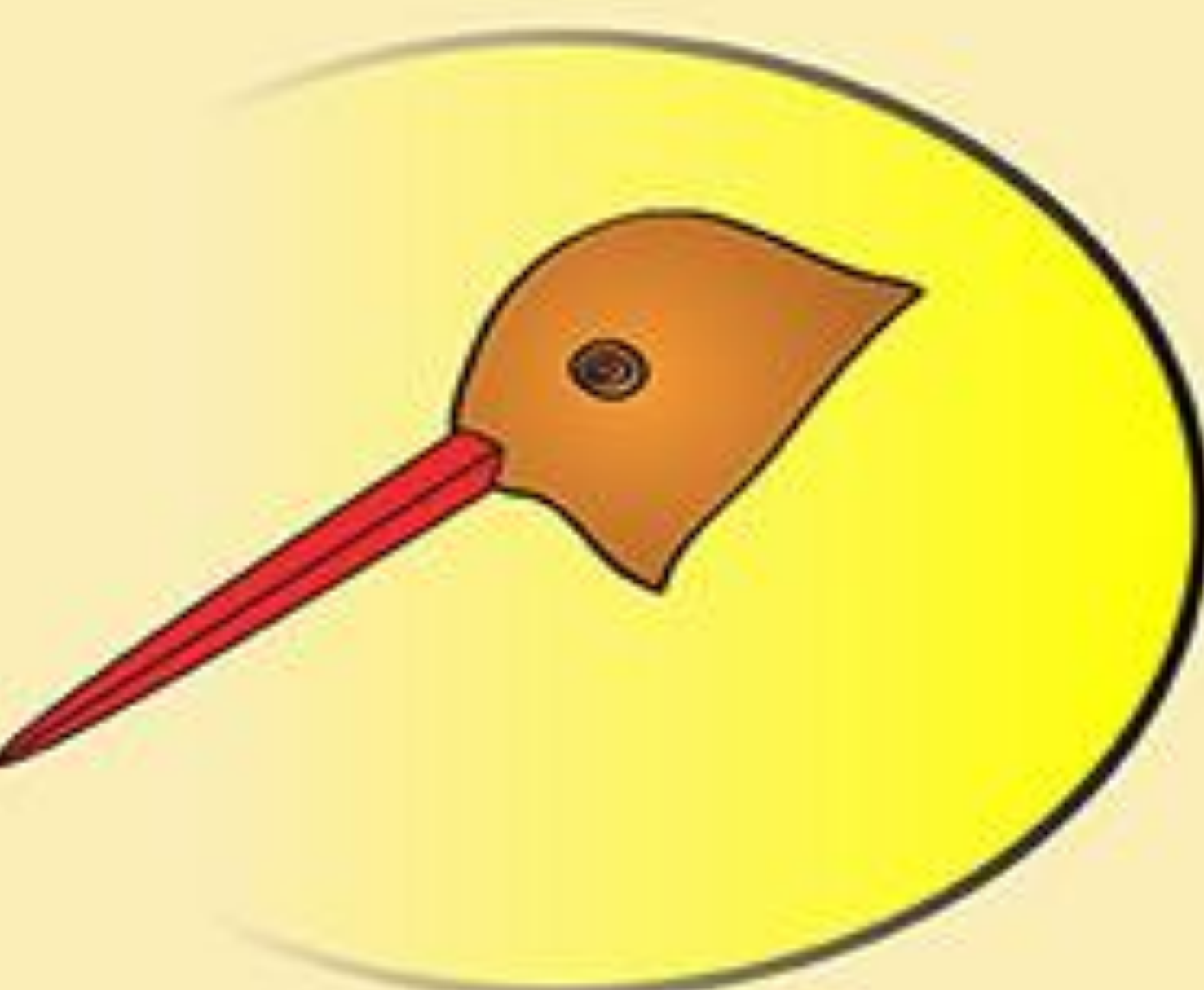


## Fruit Cracker

The hook at the beak's tip is used to pull at the pulp of fruit, while the jaws near the base of the beak crack open the seeds and reach the kernels

## Probing Beak

Long beaks that are used to probe inside moist ground

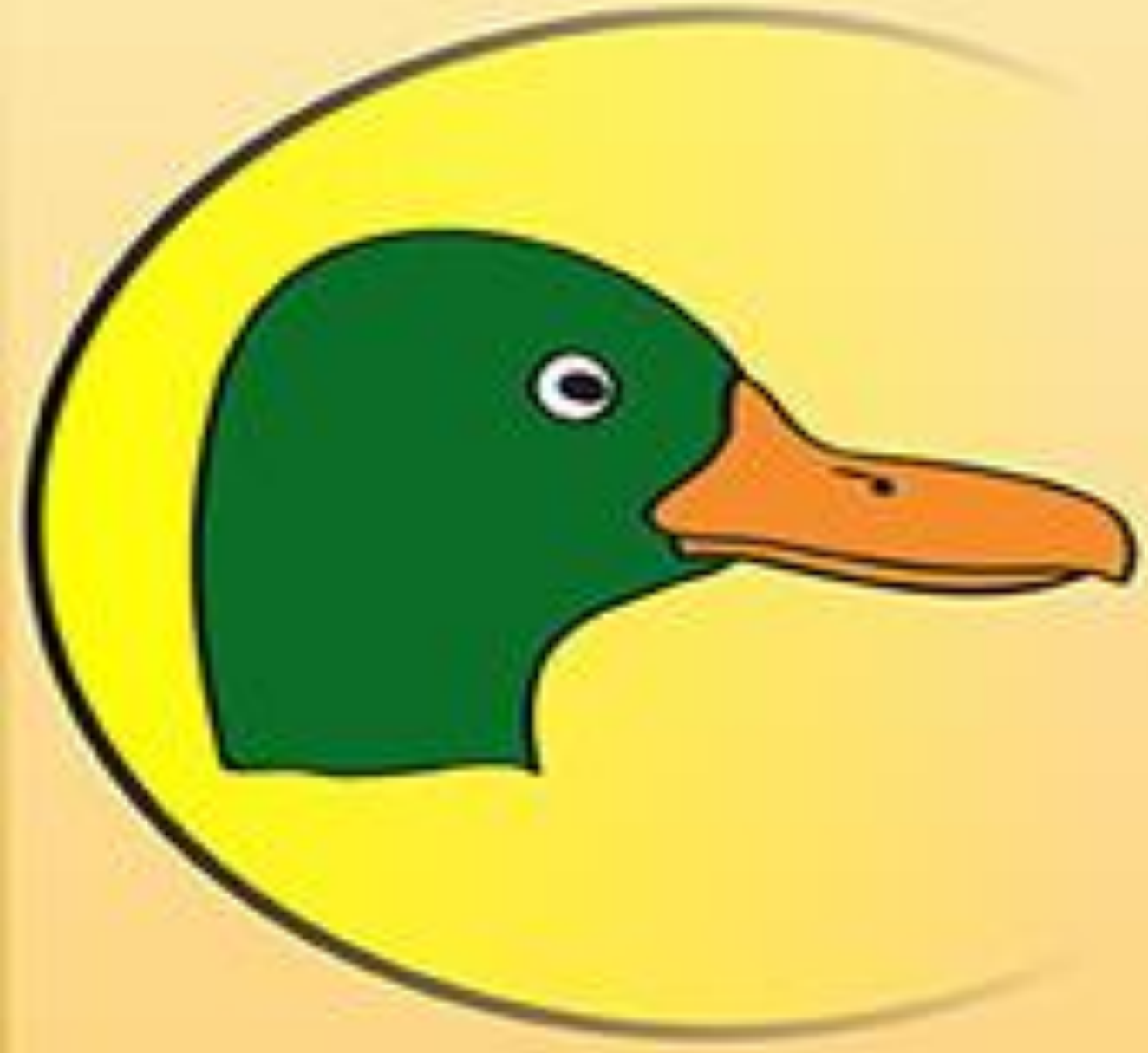


## Curlew Forceps

Long and curved beak for digging up creatures buried deep in the mud

## Underwater Sieve

The lower bill moves up and down to pump water against the top bill, where a fringe of fine slits traps the food



## Dabbling Beak

Water enters the two flattened halves of the beak, and then anything suspended in it is strained and swallowed

## Fishing Beak

Long, narrow beaks that are edged with teeth in order to grip the fish



## Wood Chiseling Beak

Pointed beak, like a chisel, to make holes in trees to find insects

## Flower Probing Beak

Thin, long, slightly curved beaks which enable birds to probe flowers for nectar

